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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Yencho, Stephen A.; et. al.  
Assignee: Cardica, Inc.  
Title: Method and System for Attaching a Graft to a Blood Vessel  
Serial No.: 09/924,556 Filing Date: August 9, 2001  
Examiner: Jessica R. Baxter Group Art Unit: 3731  
Docket No.: 032405-058

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

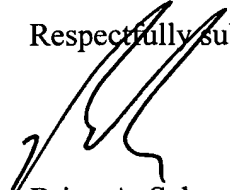
Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. The RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is authorized in an accompanying transmittal letter.

Please consider the Amendment After Final that was submitted on June 4, 2004 but not entered. A copy of that Amendment After Final has been included for the convenience of the Examiner. Please contact the undersigned attorney with any questions. Thank you.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) This Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Request for Continued Examination;
- (3) Copy of Amendment After Final filed on June 4, 2004;
- (4) Check no. 10263 in the amount of \$595.00; and
- (5) Return postcard.


- ☐ No additional fee is required.  
☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

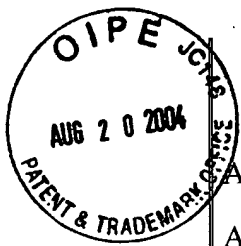
**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	Claims Remaining <u>After Amendment</u>		Highest No. Previously <u>Paid For</u>		Present <u>Extra</u>		<u>Rate</u>		Additional <u>Fee</u>
Basic RCE fee									\$385.00
Total Claims	40	Minus	40	=	0	x	\$9	\$	0.00
Independent Claims	8	Minus	8	=	0	x	\$43	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee of _____ for the first filing of one or more multiple dependent claims per application								\$	
<b><u>Total additional fee for this Amendment:</u></b>									\$ <u>0.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A two-month extension of time is hereby requested. The fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) for a two-month extension is:									<u>210.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Please charge our Deposit Account No. 502108 in the amount of								\$	<u>0.00</u>
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<b>Total:</b>									\$ <u>595.00</u>

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This communication is in response to the Office Action of March 23, 2004.

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